Residential quarters in the Vellayambalam area.

152. ✻**Mr. K. A. Raman Pillai:** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) what amount has been provided for in the budget under post-war reconstruction programme for the year 1121 for the construction of residential quarters in the Vellayambalam area ; and

(*b*) if so, what amount has been spent so far in that behalf?

Mr. C. Kumara Das: (*a*) Rs. 5,00,000.

(*b*) Nil.

Mr. K. A. Raman Pillai: What is the total area brought under this scheme?

Mr. C. Kumara Das: It has not been completed and the scheme has not been finally decided upon.

President: The real difficulty there is the tremendous ups and down of the locality. Filling up these things involves a great outlay. The question is being considered—whether we can let it on rent to various persons and whether the rent will be such as to repay at least the interest on the amount.

Town Planning Schemes.

153. ✻**Mr. Paul A. Thaliath:** (*Parur, Kunnatnad and Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have any town planning scheme for the town of Alwaye ; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether the scheme has been examined by any town planning expert ?

Mr. C. Kumara Das: (*a*) The matter is only at the investigation stage.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of answer to part (*a*).

Construction of dams with regulators in the Periyar River.

154. ✻**Mr. Paul A. Thaliath:** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have decided to construct any dams with regulators in the Periyar river :

(*b*) if the answer to (*a*) is in the affirmative the number of dams and the localities selected ;

(*c*) whether these dams will put an end to the bathing facilities that now exist at Alwaye ;

(*d*) whether any expert advice has been taken before the decision was arrived at ; and

(*e*) if the answer to (*d*) is in the affirmative will they be pleased to place a copy of that report on the table?

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Mr. C. Kumara Das: (*a*) The matter is under examination.

(*b*) Three regulators—one across each arm of the Periyar river.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Yes, the Chief Engineer being the expert.

(*e*) Does not arise in view of answer to part (d).

Mr. Paul A. Thaliath: May I know from the honourable member whether by the construction of the regulators, the level of the water will be raised on the Alwaye side of the river?

Mr. C. Kumara Das: Just near the side, the level will be raised for a certain period.

Mr. Paul A. Thaliath: Will it be raised on the Alwaye town side?

Mr. C. Kumara Das: I do not think it will go as far as Alwaye. It is quite a long way off.

Mr. Paul A. Thaliath: May I know whether by raising this level and also by the recent restriction of the flow of water, facilities will be given?

President: The Government gave great importance to the preservation of Alwaye as a bathing place and they want to improve the facilities as a bathing locality.

Pampayar Scheme.

155. ***Mr. K. G. Narayana Panicker** (*Mavelikara and Thiruvalla* cum *Pathanamthitta*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any investigation work has been begun with regard to the "Pampayar Scheme" and

(*b*) if so, the nature of the progress hitherto made?

Mr. C. Kumara Das: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Field work has been completed.

Mr. K. G. Narayana Panicker: May I know from the honourable member whether the total estimate has been prepared for the work?

Mr. C. Kumara Das: It is under preparation. The field work has been completed and the staff that was provided for that work is now compiling the estimates.

Mr. K. A. Raman Pillai: May I know from the member the names of the taluks which will be benefited by this scheme?

Mr. C. Kumara Das: Mostly Thiruvella and Changanacherry so far as irrigation is concerned and on the electrical side, the whole State.

Mr. K. A. Raman Pillai: May I know when the scheme will be completed?

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